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during or after the plasticization, and in the absence of water, and subsequently shaping the material while still plastic.

6. (amended) [A] The process [as claimed] defined in claim 5, wherein the mixture of the matrix phase is plasticized until the specific viscosity at a temperature of 160°C is from 0.007 to 10,000 Pa.s [(at 160°C)].

## Add the following new claims 7-11:

7. A pharmaceutical composition comprising

at least one multiparticulate phase;

a/matrix phase; and

at least one active ingredient present in at least one of said phases;

wherein the at least one multiparticulate phase is incorporated into the matrix phase while the matrix phase is in a plastic state, and in the absence of water.

- 8. The composition of claim 7, wherein an active ingredient is present in the at least one multiparticulate phase
- 9. The composition of claim 7, wherein the at least one multiparticulate phase comprises a member selected from the group consisting of crystals, pellets, microtablets and granules.
- 10. The composition of claim 7, wherein a flavoring is present in the matrix phase.
  - 11. The composition of claim 7, wherein an active ingredient is present in both